

Coventry Conservation Commission

Regular Meeting - January 7, 2026

Conference Room B

Call to Order/Roll Call

Chairman Jamie Coss called the meeting to order at 7:00. Other members present were Paul Manzone, Art Hall, Vincent Messino, Brandon Shaw and Brian Coss. Also in attendance was Lindsay Beutler from the Planning and Land Use Office.

Secretary's Report

Members read the minutes. Art made a motion to accept, seconded by Paul and there was unanimous approval.

Financial Report

There was a slight change from last month's report. The current balance is \$2,956.22.

Audience of Citizens - None

Member's Forum - None

Site Plans – None

Town Referrals – None

Old business

Vernal Pool Mapping – UConn needs input on zones. They have done this for Andover already.

Low-Impact Development Group – Is looking for a replacement for Brandon, who has chosen not to stay with them.

Mill Brook Park – Paul has spoken to the Coventry High School Industrial Arts Department and is trying to get them to estimate the cost of picnic table replacement.

Williams-Rose Preserve – Draft plan summary is anticipated from Lindsay and the Land Use Office soon.

New Business

Jamie reported a UConn webinar involving the UConn Fire Chief and their Clear Program, scheduled for January 15, 2026, on the increasing risk of forest fires like the one in Maui. Jamie also mentioned the Master- Gardener Program. There was further discussion of local tree damage and intensive storm issues.

Paul brought up invasive species and thought we should try to get a speaker on the subject.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Jamie at 7:58pm, seconded by Brandon and all voted to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

B.D. Coss